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TITLE OF INVENTION: CONCRETE FILLABLE FORMWORK WALL

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1. This communication is responsive to the telephonic intervie	ew held on March 10,2009.					
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1,2,5,8-10,13 and 16-18</u> .						
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John Hornickel on March 10, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1:

An apparatus comprising:

an elongated regular octagonal <u>first</u> tubular form element, wherein the tubular form element includes a tubular boundary of seven adjacent wall faces and one open face, wherein the tubular boundary bounds a longitudinal interior chamber, wherein the tubular form element includes six female engagement portions each <u>adapted configured</u> as a T-shaped slot having a locus of connection to engagingly receive a male engagement portion <u>adapted configured</u> as a T-shaped fin also having a locus of connection,

wherein each female engagement portion extends into the longitudinal interior chamber from a vertex of adjacent wall faces, wherein each female engagement portion includes an opening at the tubular boundary as the T-shaped slot, wherein, the tubular form element includes two male engagement portions extending outwardly of the tubular boundary.

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wherein the two male engagement portions at the open face of one the first form element can and, are adapted to engage with two female engagement portions of a elongated regular octagonal second tubular form element on any one of five adjacent wall faces having two female engagement portions at two vertices of the wall face,

wherein, engagement of when engaged, the male engagement portions of ene-the first tubular form element and the female engagement portions of the second tubular form element identify a relationship of common loci of each connection with placement of each locus at the vertices of the rectangular octagons of the ene first tubular form element and the second tubular form element,

wherein, when engaged, the female engagement portions extending into the longitudinal interior chamber to permit the internalization of the connection off the male engagement portion of one the first tubular form element adapted configured as the T-shaped fin and a the female engagement portion of the second tubular form element adapted configured as the T-shaped slot to allow external side surfaces of adjacent tubular form elements as wall faces to lie within a plane for creation of a flat surface arrangement, and

wherein the flat surface arrangement can is adapted to be created by female engagement portions of adjacent form elements engaging an insert panel at two male engagement portions, also adapted configured as T-shaped fins

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identical to the male engagement portions on the one first tubular form element, to form a substantially flat wall surface.

Claim 2:

The apparatus of Claim 1, further comprising at least a an elongated regular octagonal second tubular form element engaged with the one first tubular form element and the insert panel engaged with both the one first tubular form element and the second tubular form element to close a triangular area resulting from the two octagonal form elements being engaged, wherein the substantially flat wall surface is formed by a wall face of the one first tubular form element, the insert panel, and a wall face of the second tubular form element

Claim 13:

The apparatus of Claim 2, wherein the tubular form elements has have apertures in at least one face of the each form element.

- 2. Claims 1, 2, 5, 8, 9,10,16,17, and 18 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claims 1, 2, 5, 8, 9,10,16,17, and 18 are allowed because the prior art of record fails to teach or adequately suggest an elongated octagonal tubular form element with six female engagement portions as recited in claim 1.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JAMES J. BUCKLE JR whose telephone number is (571)270-3739. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, Alternating Friday 7:30am-5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Brian Glessner can be reached on 571-272-6843. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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